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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Mark Salerno  
Serial No.: 09/692,578  
Filed: October 19, 2000  
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FOR MONITORING THE  
STATUS AND TRANSFER OF  
FOOD PRODUCTS

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Sir:

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§1.56, Applicant submits herewith the following Information Disclosure Statement in  
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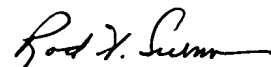
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convenience of the Examiner, and a separate listing of the same has been set forth on  
Form PTO-1449, which is also enclosed herewith. Accordingly, in view of the present

submission, it is now believed that the present application is in all respects complete and in condition for examination on the merits.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,



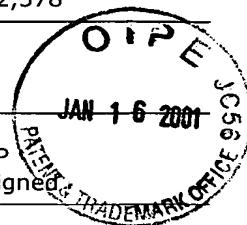
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